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## **REMARKS**

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's withdrawal of his rejections and indication that the pending Claims are allowable. Applicant thanks the Examiner for his attempts to reach Applicant's representative. Unfortunately, Applicant's representative was out of town at the time the Examiner called and did not receive the messages until after he indicated that he would mail an Advisory Action. Applicant does appreciate the Examiner's efforts and respectfully submits that the present Response and Amendment addresses the Examiner's concern. As indicated herein, beginning on page 2, Claims 2, 3, 10-12, 22 and 23 have been cancelled. Thus, Applicant respectfully requests that Claims 1, 6-9, 13, and 20, indicated as being in condition for allowance, actually be passed to allowance. Should the Examiner have any questions, he is encouraged to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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